Environment and Climate Change

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Environmental Assessment Bulletin

The Honourable Bernard Davis, Minister of Environment and Climate Change, has announced the following relative to Part 10 Environmental Assessment of the **Environmental Protection Act**.

UNDERTAKINGS REGISTERED:

Freshwater Kennedy Farm Abattoir Proponent: Kennedy Farm Inc.

(Reg. 2254)

The proponent is proposing to construct a windrow-type composting pad at their turkey farm in Freshwater, Conception Bay North. The composting pad would be used to compost organic waste from their farm and abattoir. Finished compost will be used on hay fields. A description of the project can be found on the department's webpage at: https://www.gov.nl.ca/ecc/env-assessment/projects-list/.

The undertaking was registered on July 7, 2023; the deadline for public comment is August 11, 2023; and the minister's decision is due by August 21, 2023.

Salvage Microbrewery Proponent: Wild Cove Adventures Limited

(Reg. 2253)

The proponent is proposing to establish and operate a microbrewery and tap room within an existing commercial building located at 111 Mountain View Road in the Town of Salvage. The development would include renovations to the building's interior to include the taproom, a 6000 square foot area that would contain the brewing equipment, and a retail shop. The facility will utilize municipal water and sewer services and operate year-round. A description of the project can be found on the department's webpage at: https://www.gov.nl.ca/eccm/env-assessment/projects-list/.

The undertaking was registered on July 7, 2023; the deadline for public comments is August 11, 2023; and the minister's decision is due by August 21, 2023.

Peaches Cove – Green Bay Multipurpose Trail Upgrade(Reg. 2252)Proponent: Peaches Cove – Green Bay Development Inc.

The proponent proposes to develop approximately 4.9 kilometres of multipurpose trails between Melrose in Trinity Bay North to Peaches Cove, Green Bay. Sections of the existing trails are being re-routed to hard surface ground near the shoreline that will be better suited for All Terrain Vehicle (ATV) use. A description of the project can be found on the department's webpage at: <u>https://www.gov.nl.ca/eccm/env-assessment/projects-list/</u>.

The undertaking was registered on July 6, 2023; the deadline for public comments is August 11, 2023; and the minister's decision is due by August 20, 2023.

Glovertown Concrete Batch Plant(Reg. 2251)Proponent: Oram's Do-All Contracting Limited(Reg. 2251)

The Proponent proposes to transition an existing portable concrete batch plant and associated stockpile area in the Town of Glovertown to a permanent concrete batch plant at the same location. The existing portable concrete batch plant site is held under quarry permits and has been in operation since 2005. No change to existing equipment or operations is expected. A description of the project can be found on the department's webpage at: https://www.gov.nl.ca/eccm/env-assessment/projects-list/.

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UNDERTAKINGS RELEASED:

New Harbour Barrens RV Park Proponent: Anthony Developments Ltd.

(Reg. 2245)

The Project is released subject to the following conditions:

- The Proponent must uphold all commitments made in the environmental assessment submission to mitigate the effects of the Project on the environment.
- The Department of Fisheries, Forestry and Agriculture requires the following:
 - A minimum 30-metre undisturbed riparian buffer must be maintained from the high water mark of all wetlands and waterbodies within and adjacent to the Project that are identified on either the 1:50,000 scale National Topographic System maps, or the topographic mapping layer shown in the Provincial Land Use atlas, to protect sensitive riparian and aquatic species and their habitats.
 - Vegetation clearing is not to occur within 800 metres of a bald eagle or osprey nest during the nesting season (March 15 to July 31) and within 200 metres during the remainder of the year. The 200-metre buffer also applies to all other raptor nests (e.g. Northern Goshawk, Sharp-shinned Hawk, Merlin, American Kestrel, Great-horned Owl, Boreal Owl, Northern Sawwhet Owl). The location of any raptor nest site must be reported to the Wildlife Division. For further information, please contact the Department of Fisheries, Forestry and Agriculture at (709) 637-2353.
- The Proponent must advise the Environmental Assessment Division when the conditions of release have been met, by emailing a written description, documents,

and images (where applicable) to demonstrate that the conditions have been fulfilled to <u>EAProjectComments@gov.nl.ca</u>.

• The Proponent must update the Environmental Assessment Division on the status of the Project, including a copy of all permits, licences, certificates, approvals and other authorizations required for the Project, one year from the date of this release letter and to provide additional updates if required.

Labrador – L1301 Transmission Line Decommissioning (Reg. 2236) Proponent: Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro Inc.

The Project is released subject to the following conditions:

- The Proponent must uphold all commitments made in the environmental assessment submission to mitigate the effects of the Project on the environment, including the commitment to implement an environmental protection plan as described in the registration document.
- The Pollution Prevention Division of this department requires the following:
 - A Waste Management Plan that includes all aspects of waste related to the Project, including treated poles, be submitted and approved prior to the start of Project construction. For further information, please contact Pollution Prevention Division at (709) 729-5782.
- The Wildlife Division of the Department of Fisheries, Forestry and Agriculture requires the following:
 - A Caribou Protection and Impacts Mitigation Plan (CPIMP) for the listed Red Wine Mountain Boreal Caribou must be submitted and approved prior to the start of Project construction.
 - A minimum 30-metre undisturbed riparian buffer must be maintained from the high water mark of all wetlands and waterbodies within and adjacent to the Project that are identified on either the 1:50,000 scale National Topographic System maps, or the topographic mapping layer shown in the Provincial Land Use atlas, to protect sensitive riparian and aquatic species and their habitats.
 - Vegetation clearing is not to occur within 800 metres of a bald eagle or osprey nest during the nesting season (March 15 to July 31) and within 200 metres during the remainder of the year. The 200-metre buffer also applies to all other raptor nests (e.g. Northern Goshawk, Sharp-shinned Hawk, Merlin, American Kestrel, Great-horned Owl, Boreal Owl, Northern Sawwhet Owl). The location of any raptor nest site must be reported to the Wildlife Division.
- The Proponent must advise the Environmental Assessment Division when the conditions of release have been met, by emailing a written description, documents,

and images (where applicable) to demonstrate that the conditions have been fulfilled to <u>EAProjectComments@gov.nl.ca</u>.

• The Proponent must update the Environmental Assessment Division on the status of the Project, including a copy of all permits, licences, certificates, approvals and other authorizations required for the Project, one year from the date of this release letter and to provide additional updates, if requested.

Bay Bulls-Bauline Multi-Use Trail Proponent: Bay Bulls Bauline Athletic Association

(Reg. 2220)

The Project is released subject to the following conditions:

- The Proponent must uphold all commitments made in the environmental assessment submission to mitigate the effects of the Project on the environment.
- The Department of Fisheries, Forestry and Agriculture (FFA) requires the Proponent to submit an Environmental Protection Plan (EPP) that includes details on caribou occupancy in the area, historic range use, potential impacts of the Project on caribou and measures that will be undertaken to mitigate adverse impacts. The EPP is to be emailed to <u>FFAreferrals@gov.nl.ca</u> and must be approved by FFA prior to Project construction.
- The Proponent must advise the Environmental Assessment Division when the conditions of release have been met, by emailing a written description, documents, and images (where applicable) to demonstrate that the conditions have been fulfilled to EAProjectComments@gov.nl.ca.
- The Proponent must update the Environmental Assessment Division on the status of the Project, including a copy of all permits, licences, certificates, approvals and other authorizations required for the Project, one year from the date of this release letter and to provide additional updates if required.

Learn more

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Environmental assessment information is available at:

https://www.gov.nl.ca/ecc/env-assessment/

https://www.gov.nl.ca/ecc/files/GUIDE-TO-THE-PROCESS May-2023.pdf

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Public comments may be forwarded to: EAprojectcomments@gov.nl.ca

If you submit comments on a project that is under environmental assessment, please advise the Department if you DO NOT wish to share your comments with the project proponent.

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